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# WOLVERINE



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The New Avengers and the Astonishing X-Men met to discuss the fate of Wanda Maximoff, the Scarlet Witch--the daughter of the powerful mutant terrorist Magneto. After losing control of her reality-altering powers and suffering a total nervous breakdown, Wanda unleashed chaos upon the Avengers, killing and injuring many of their number. Magneto intervened and took his daughter to the devastated island-nation of Genosha, where Charles Xavier--Professor X, the founder of the X-Men--was to help her recover. Xavier failed, and now it is up to Wanda's friends and teammates to decide whether she will live or die. But Magneto, Wanda, and her brother Pietro disappear...

Then the world burns to white. Reality as we knew it is gone...

To be replaced by a society in which humans are the oppressed minority and mutants run the culture, ruling over all existing countries, religions, and politics. A kingdom united under the  
House of M.

# HOUSE OF M

Agent James Howlett, otherwise known as the mutant Wolverine, is one of S.H.I.E.L.D.'s most celebrated operatives. Along with his partner, Raven Darkholme (a.k.a. Mystique), he carries out the most dangerous missions for Magneto's ruling government without fail.

But, recently, Wolverine's actions have been erratic, even reckless, and they've raised the suspicions of his superior, Colonel Shaw. After an attack on an American embassy causes the deaths of several dignitaries and the theft of a new Sentinel, Shaw calls in Mystique to find out what she knows.

Shaw believes that Wolverine colluded with the terrorists' leader, Nick Fury, who was believed dead before his involvement in the attack was revealed. Fury once trained Wolverine and a group of other mutants for S.H.I.E.L.D. but only did so because the mutant-run organization would kill his son if he didn't comply.

And now, as Mystique contemplates the chilling possibility that Wolverine has betrayed the mutant race to join Fury's campaign of revenge, she plunders her memory for evidence that would exonerate her lover... or condemn him.

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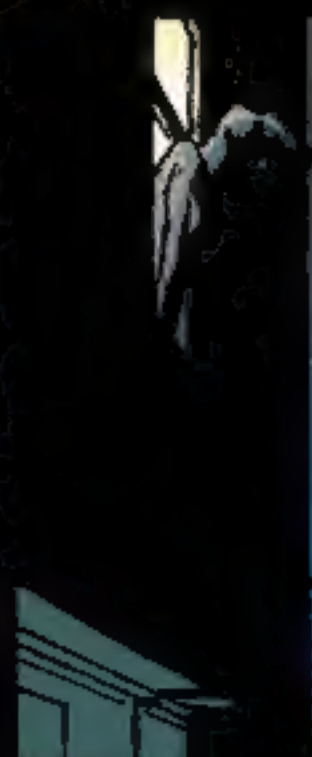
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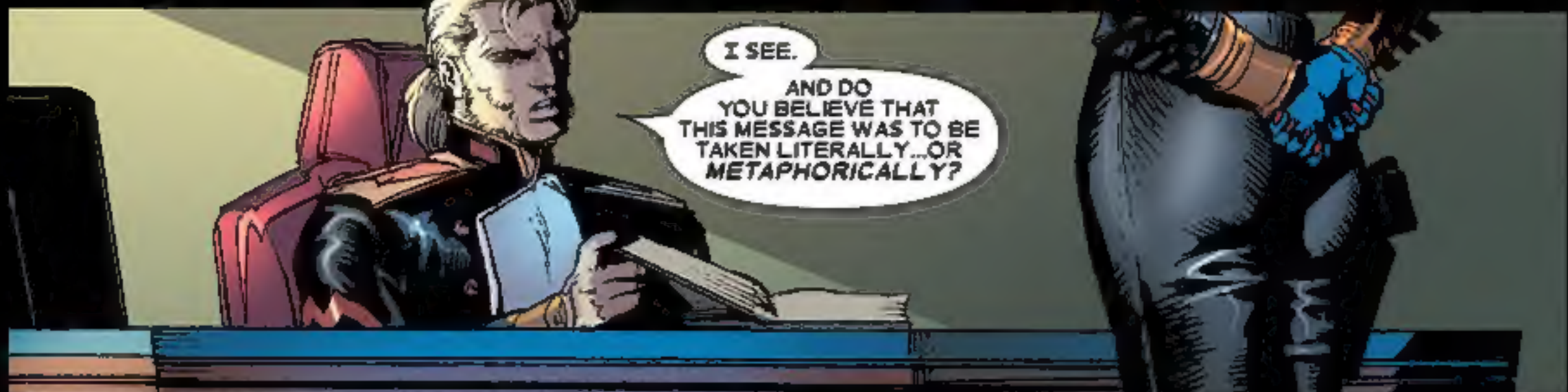


TELL ME, MYSTIQUE...DO YOU BELIEVE THAT LOGAN LEFT THIS MESSAGE SPECIFICALLY FOR YOU?

S.H.I.E.L.D.  
COMMAND OFFICE OF  
SEBASTIAN SHAW.



YES.

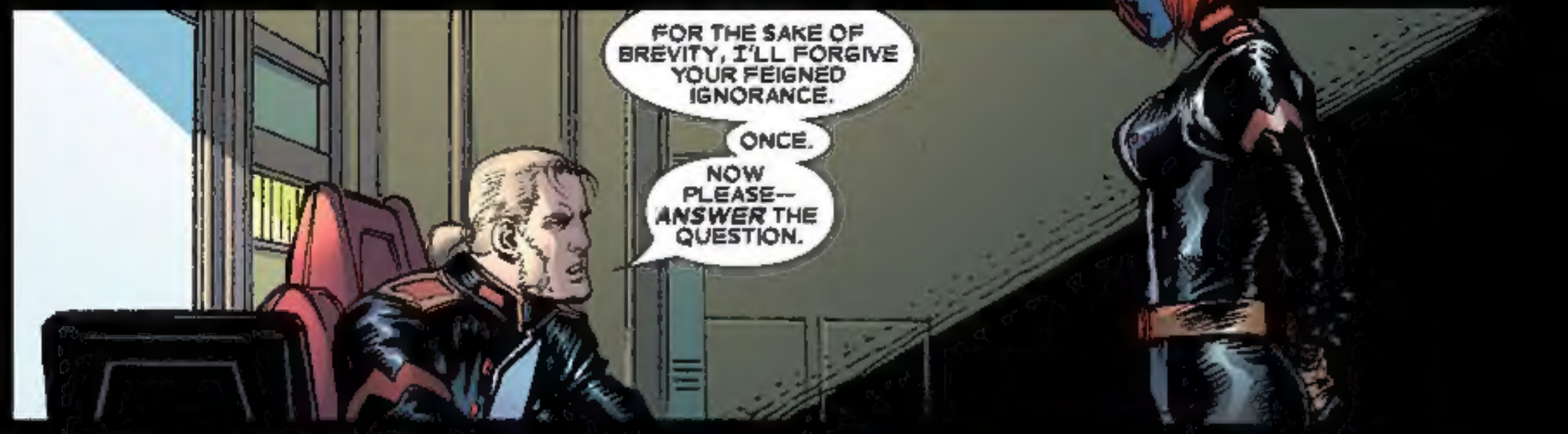


I SEE.

AND DO YOU BELIEVE THAT THIS MESSAGE WAS TO BE TAKEN LITERALLY...OR METAPHORICALLY?



...SIR?



FOR THE SAKE OF BREVITY, I'LL FORGIVE YOUR FEIGNED IGNORANCE.

ONCE.

NOW PLEASE-- ANSWER THE QUESTION.



LOGAN...

...ISN'T THE POETIC TYPE.





HEH...  
WELL  
SAID.

AND  
YET--



--YOU DID  
FOLLOW  
HIM.

ALONE.

BECAUSE  
LOGAN MIGHT'VE  
KILLED ANYONE  
ELSE THAT--!

EFFECTIVELY  
DISOBEYING A  
DIRECT ORDER.

AND YOU  
COMPROMISED  
AGENT DREW  
BY REQUESTING  
THAT SHE DELAY  
NOTIFYING ME OF  
LOGAN'S A.W.O.L.  
STATUS.



I...  
...HAVE NO  
EXCUSE FOR  
MY ACTIONS,  
SIR.



THEN YOU MUST  
ADMIT:

I DO.

TAKE  
HER TO THE  
BRIG.

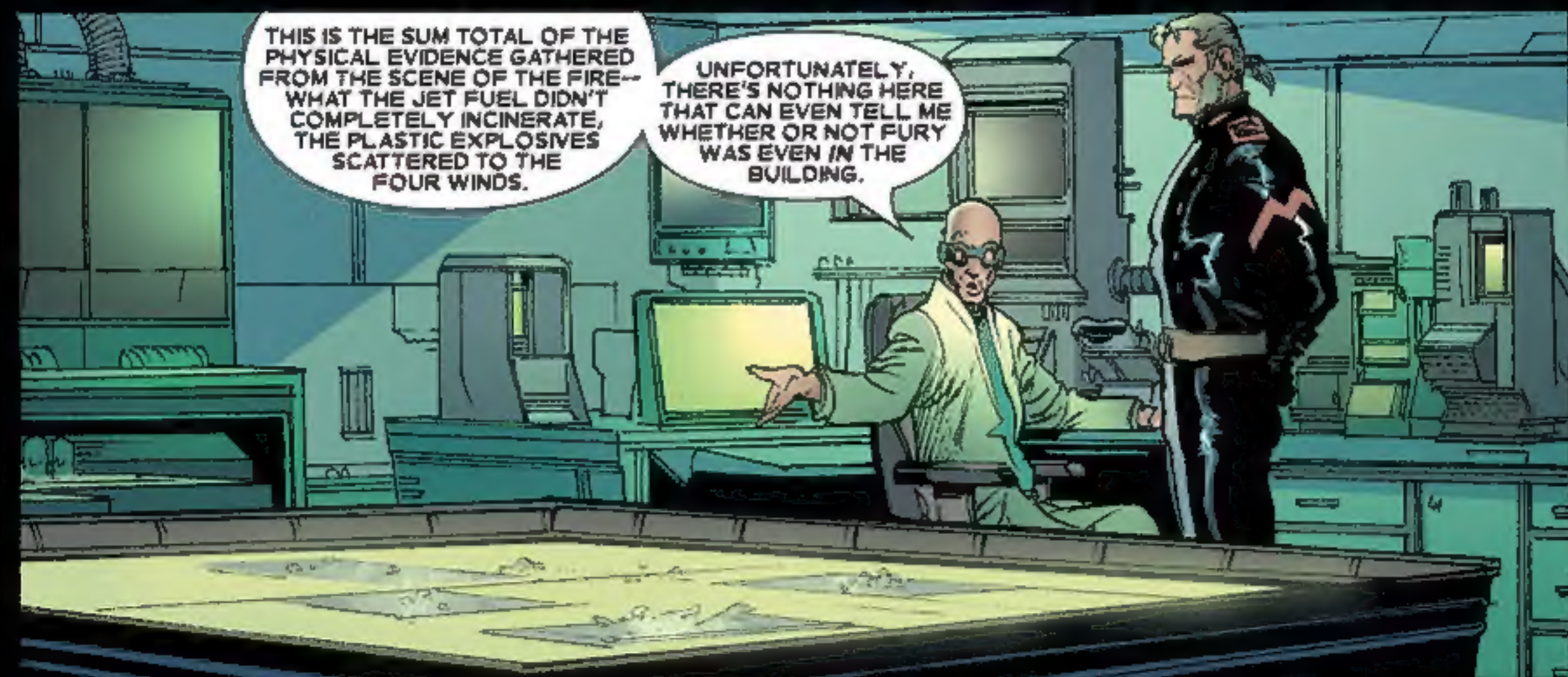








I'M SORRY, SIR... BUT I SIMPLY CAN'T BE CERTAIN ONE WAY OR THE OTHER.



THIS IS THE SUM TOTAL OF THE PHYSICAL EVIDENCE GATHERED FROM THE SCENE OF THE FIRE-- WHAT THE JET FUEL DIDN'T COMPLETELY INCINERATE, THE PLASTIC EXPLOSIVES SCATTERED TO THE FOUR WINDS.

UNFORTUNATELY, THERE'S NOTHING HERE THAT CAN EVEN TELL ME WHETHER OR NOT FURY WAS EVEN IN THE BUILDING.



I DID FIND SOMETHING ELSE, THOUGH.



WHEN I PULLED UP FURY'S PERSONNEL FILE--TO GET HIS MEDICAL INFO-- I HAPPENED TO NOTICE SOMETHING STRANGE...

...IN THE ACCESS LOG.



THE FILE'S ONLY BEEN ACCESSED THREE TIMES SINCE THE INVESTIGATION SURROUNDING FURY'S DEATH WAS CONCLUDED-- TWICE BY ME...

...AND THE OTHER TIME BY--

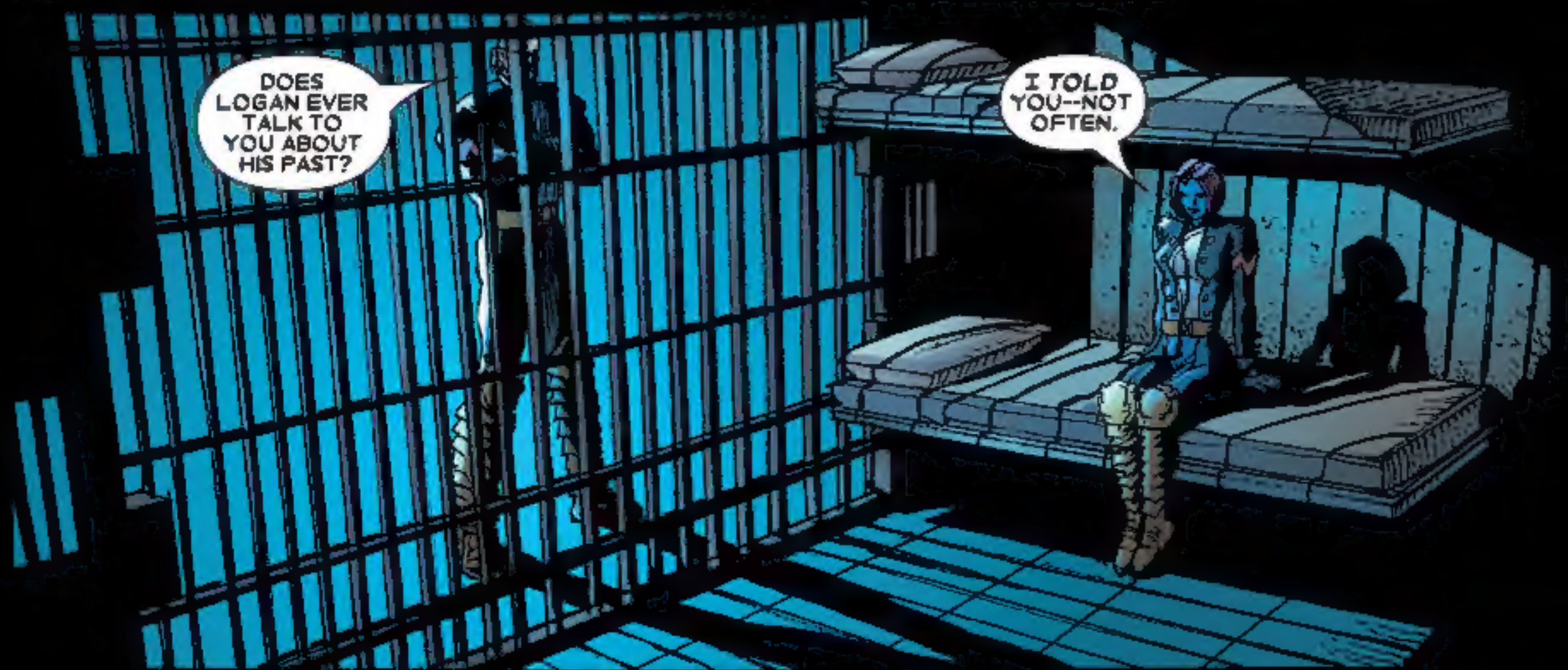


...SR?  
SIR?





LET'S START  
OVER, SHALL  
WE?



DOES  
LOGAN EVER  
TALK TO  
YOU ABOUT  
HIS PAST?

I TOLD  
YOU--NOT  
OFTEN.



BUT  
WHEN HE  
DOES...WHAT  
DOES HE TALK  
ABOUT?



HE TALKS ABOUT HOW  
THE WORLD WAS  
BEFORE THE RISE OF  
MUTANTKIND.

HOW--  
EVEN THOUGH HE  
WAS DESPISED FOR  
BEING WHAT HE IS--HE  
SOMEHOW FELT...THAT HE  
BELONGED IN THAT  
WORLD.


BECAUSE  
HE HAD A  
PURPOSE...











BECAUSE  
HE HAD A  
PURPOSE.

HMM...



HOW DID  
YOU TRACK  
LOGAN  
DOWN?


THE SAME  
WAY LOGAN  
TRACKED DOWN  
FURY.




DO  
TELL.

YOU ASSUMED--  
BECAUSE IT PLAYS  
INTO YOUR "COLLUSION"  
THEORY--THAT LOGAN  
SOMEHOW KNEW THAT IT  
WAS FURY HE WAS  
AFTER THE WHOLE  
TIME.

HE DIDN'T  
NECESSARILY  
HAVE TO  
KNOW THAT  
AT ALL.



THE SOLE REASON THAT THE  
EMBASSY WAS TARGETED  
BY FURY WAS BECAUSE  
HE WANTED THE  
SENTINEL.



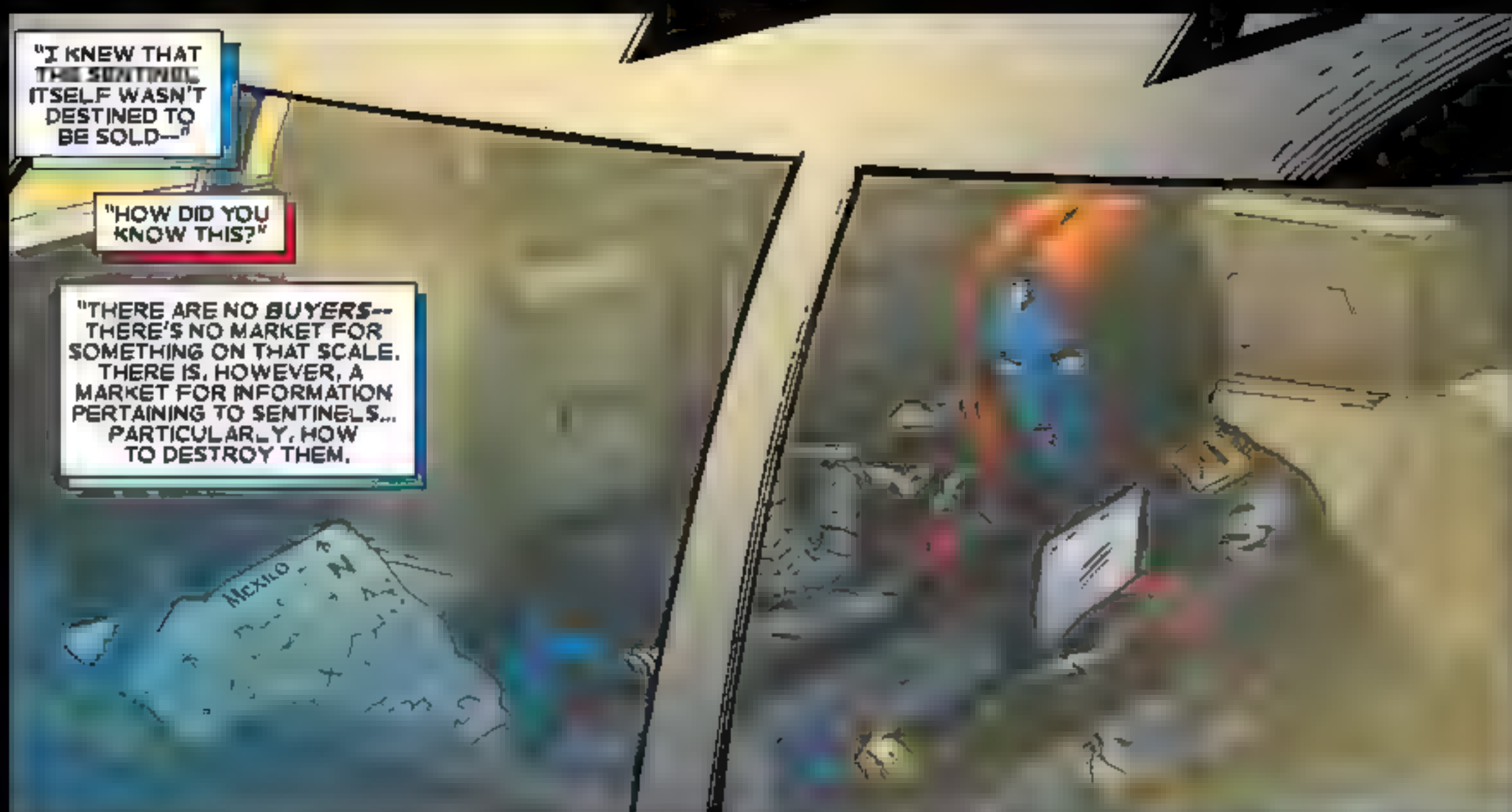
THEREFORE, I KNEW--  
JUST AS LOGAN DID--  
THAT IF I LOCATED THE  
SENTINEL, I'D FIND WHO  
I WAS LOOKING  
FOR.



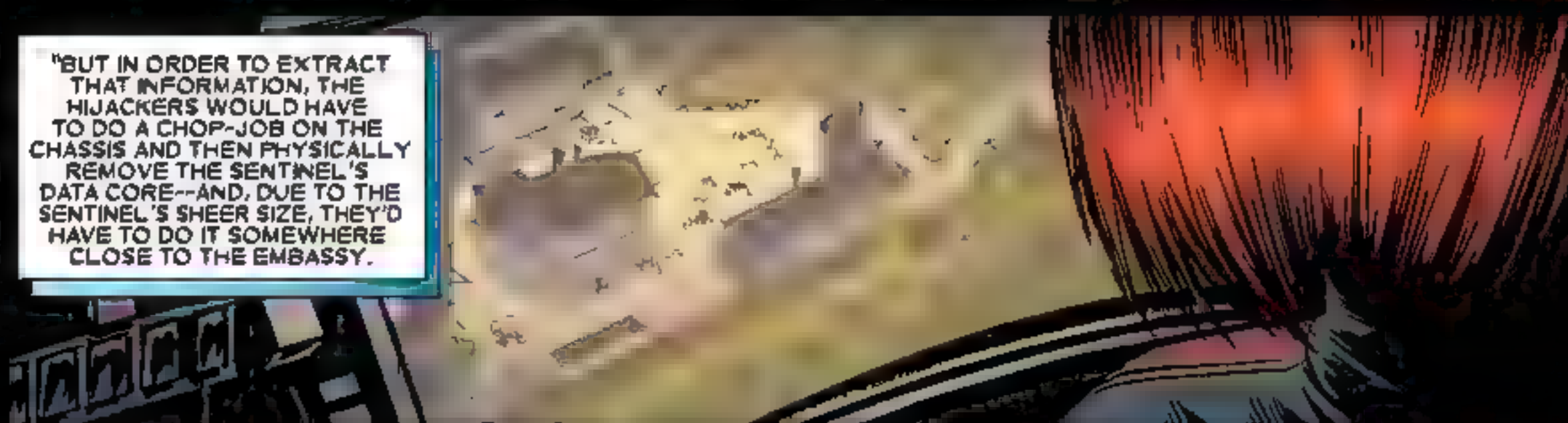
"I KNEW THAT  
THE SENTINEL  
ITSELF WASN'T  
DESTINED TO  
BE SOLD--"

"HOW DID YOU  
KNOW THIS?"

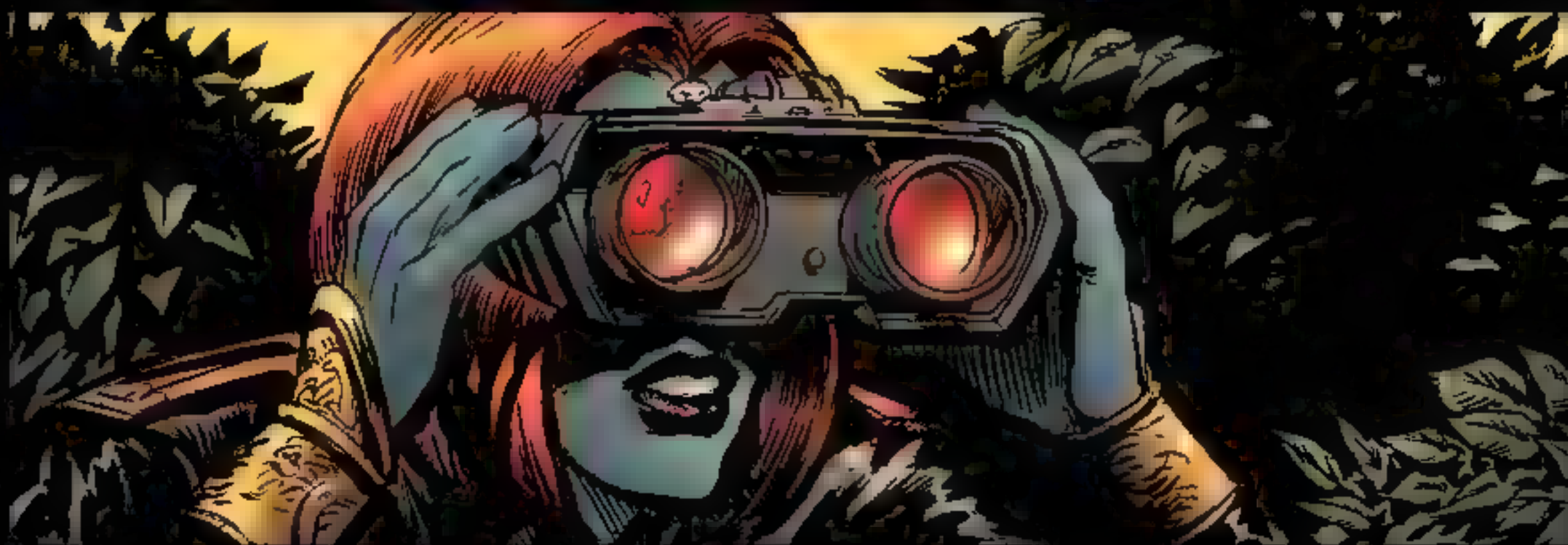
"THERE ARE NO **BUYERS**--  
THERE'S NO MARKET FOR  
SOMETHING ON THAT SCALE.  
THERE IS, HOWEVER, A  
MARKET FOR INFORMATION  
PERTAINING TO SENTINELS...  
PARTICULARLY, HOW  
TO DESTROY THEM.



"BUT IN ORDER TO EXTRACT  
THAT INFORMATION, THE  
HIJACKERS WOULD HAVE  
TO DO A CHOP-JOB ON THE  
CHASSIS AND THEN PHYSICALLY  
REMOVE THE SENTINEL'S  
DATA CORE--AND, DUE TO THE  
SENTINEL'S SHEER SIZE, THEY'D  
HAVE TO DO IT SOMEWHERE  
CLOSE TO THE EMBASSY.



"SOMEWHERE  
SECLUDED  
PREFERABLY,  
WITH EQUIPMENT  
ALREADY ON-SITE."



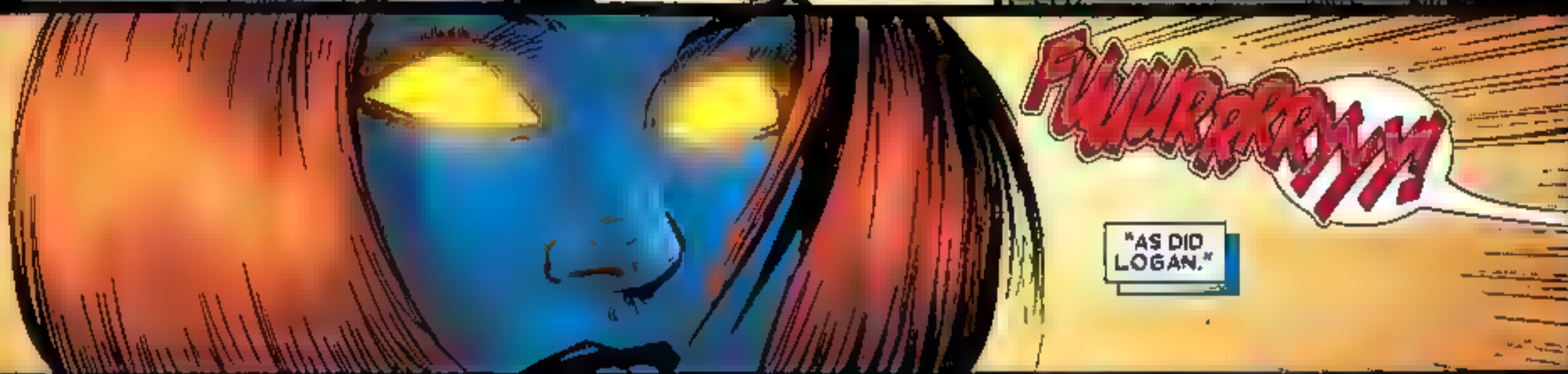




"SOMEWHERE  
LIKE AN OLD  
STEEL MILL."



"THAT'S WHERE  
I FOUND  
WHAT I WAS  
LOOKING FOR."



**FWURRRRR!!!**

"AS DID  
LOGAN."

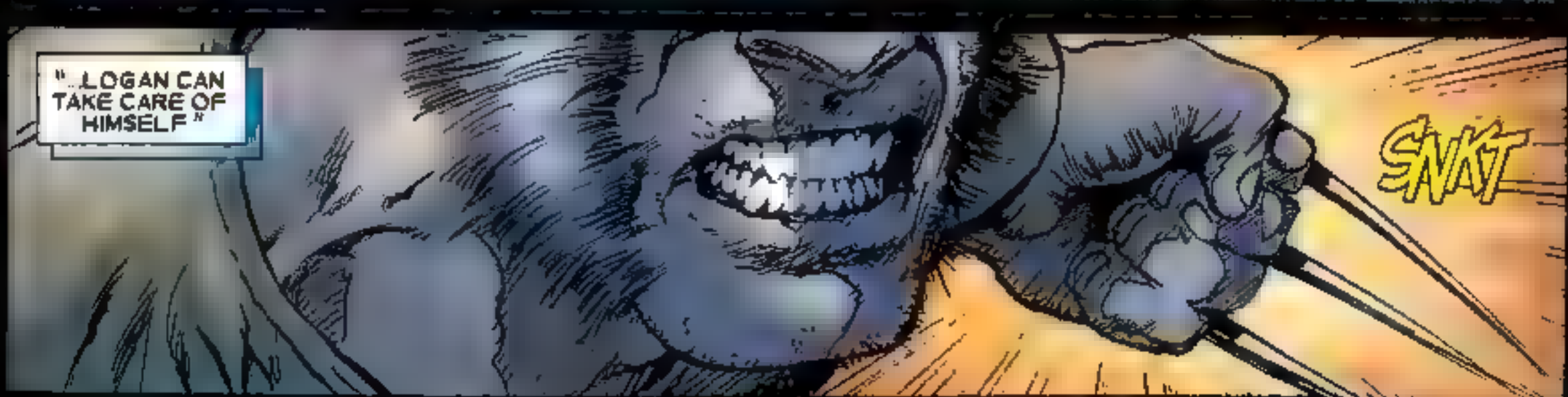
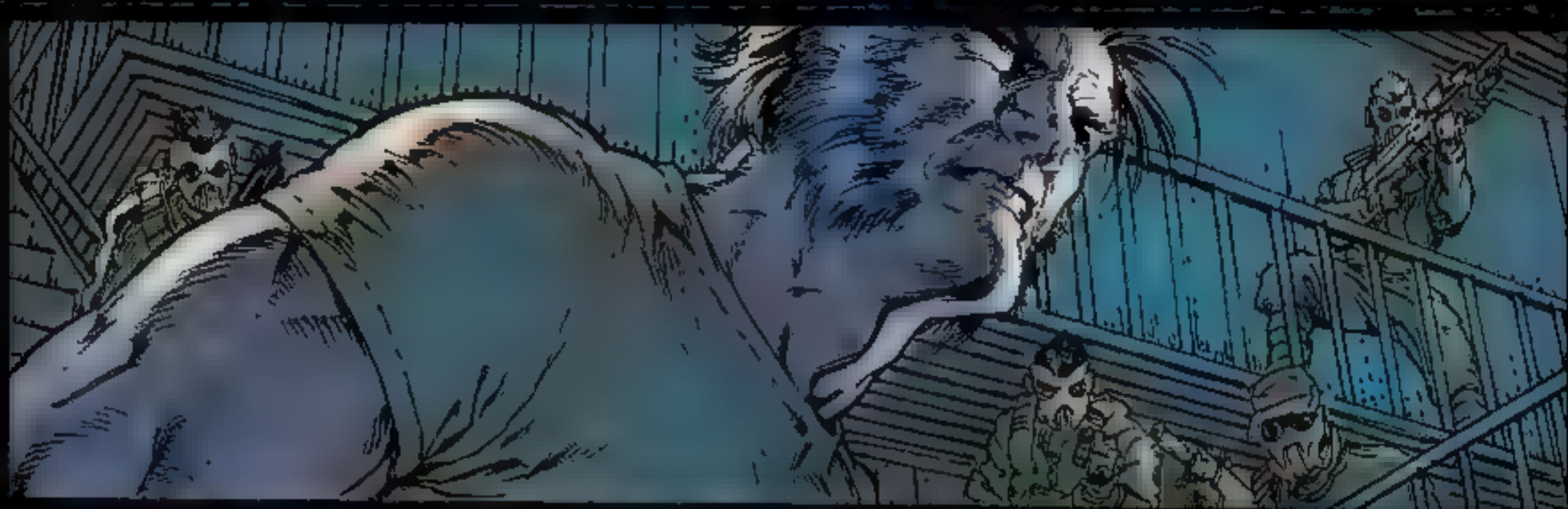
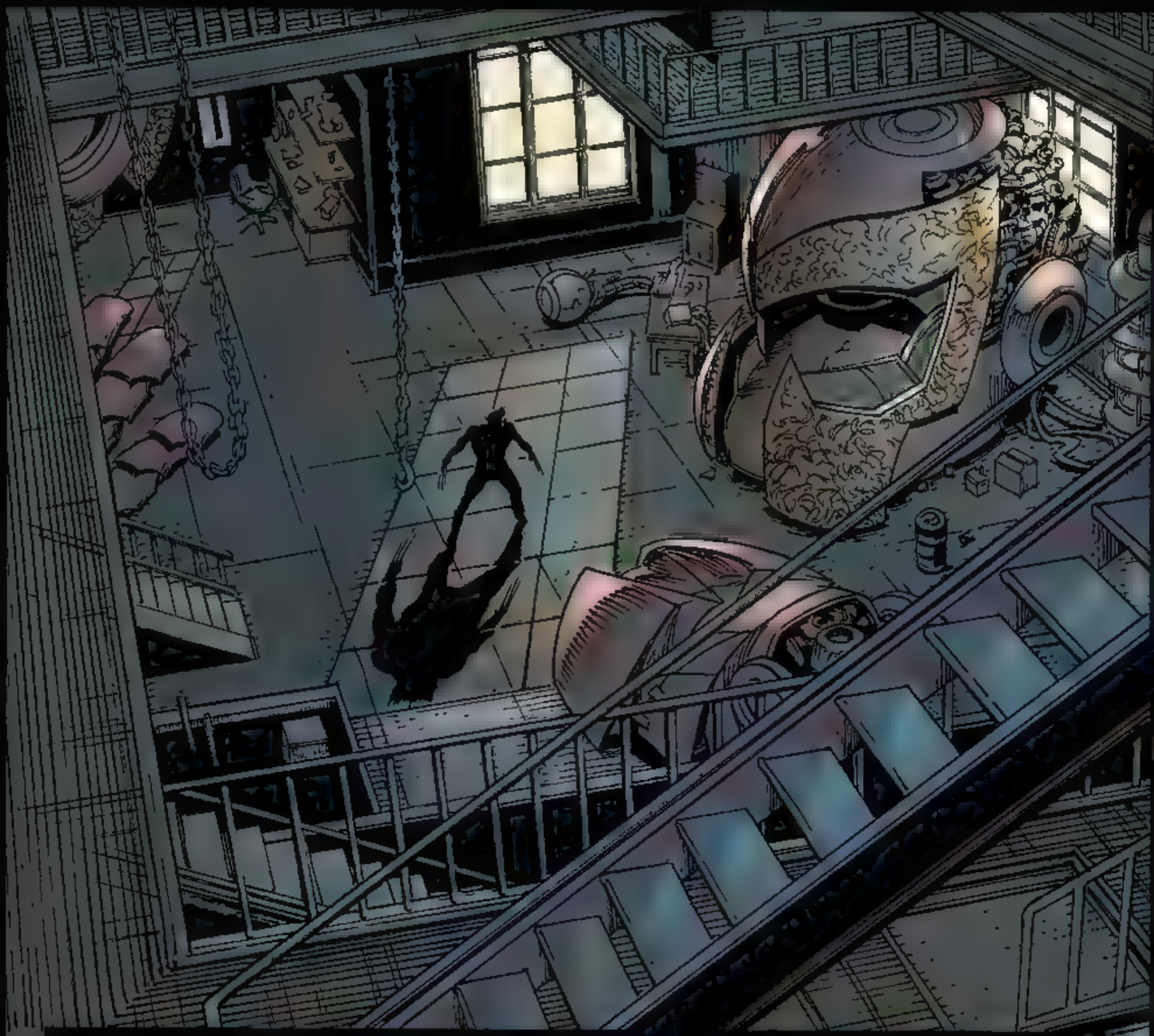


"YET YOU HELD BACK  
FROM ENTERING  
THE BUILDING AND  
JOINING LOGAN--  
WHY?"

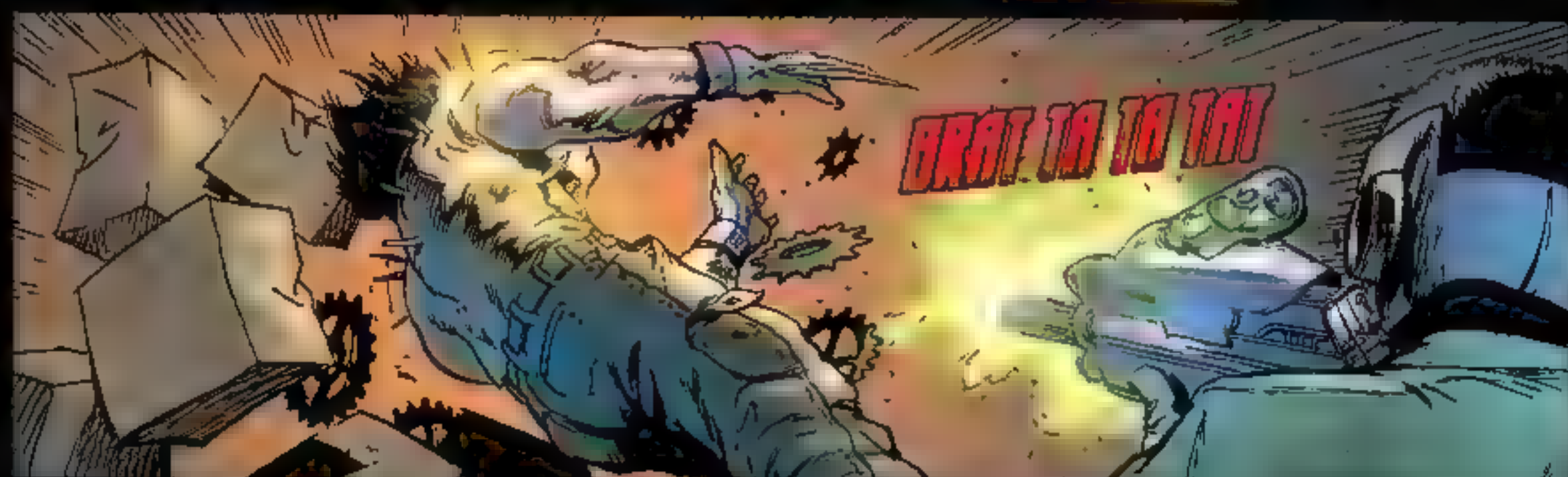
"IT WOULD'VE  
BEEN STUPID OF  
ME TO RUN BLINDLY  
INTO A HOT  
SITUATION."

BESIDES...

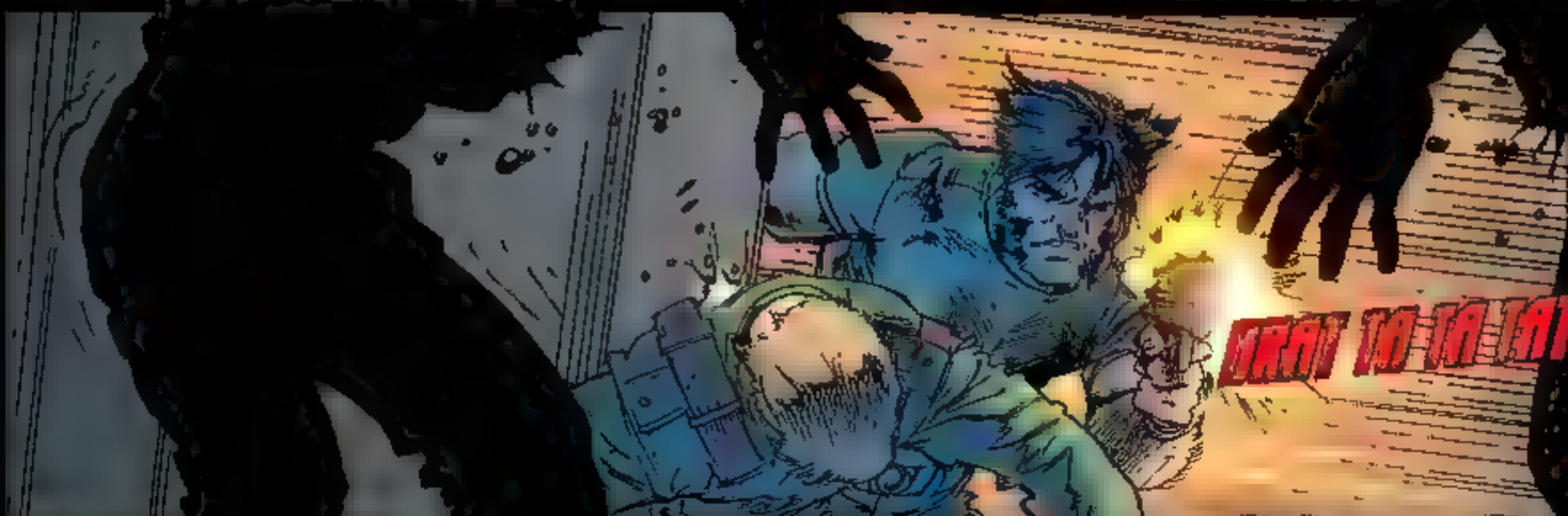
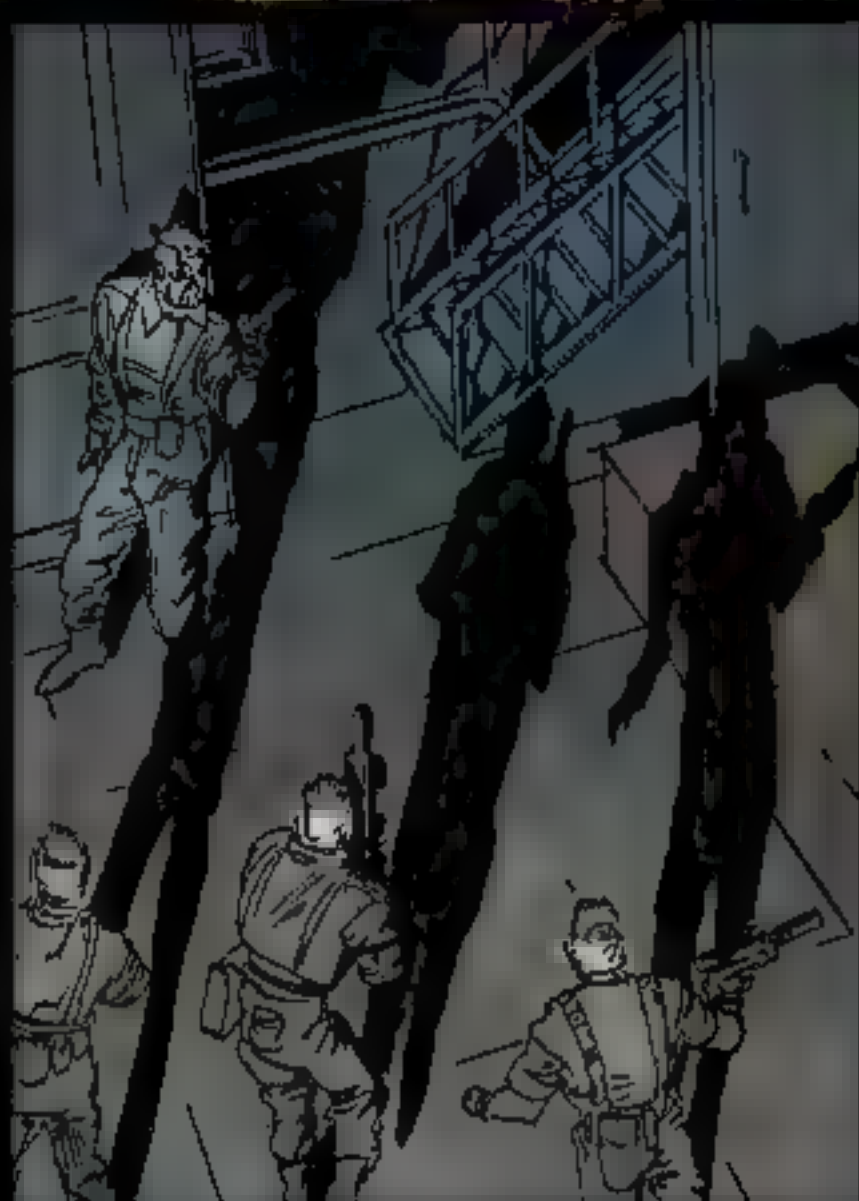
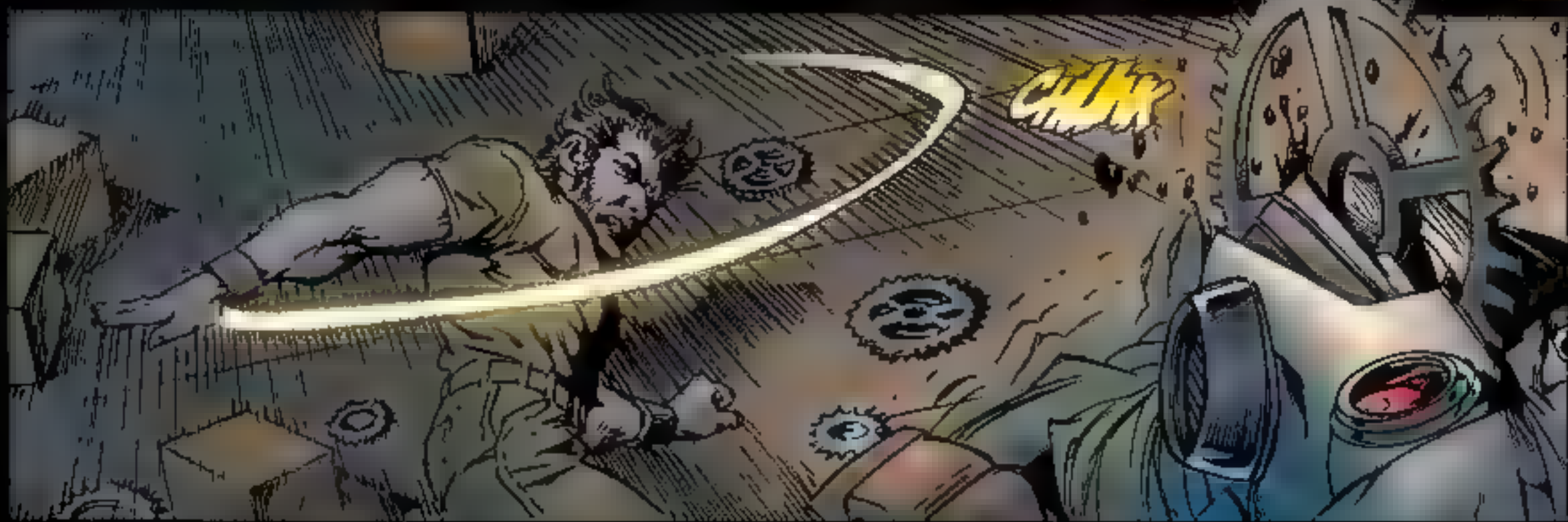




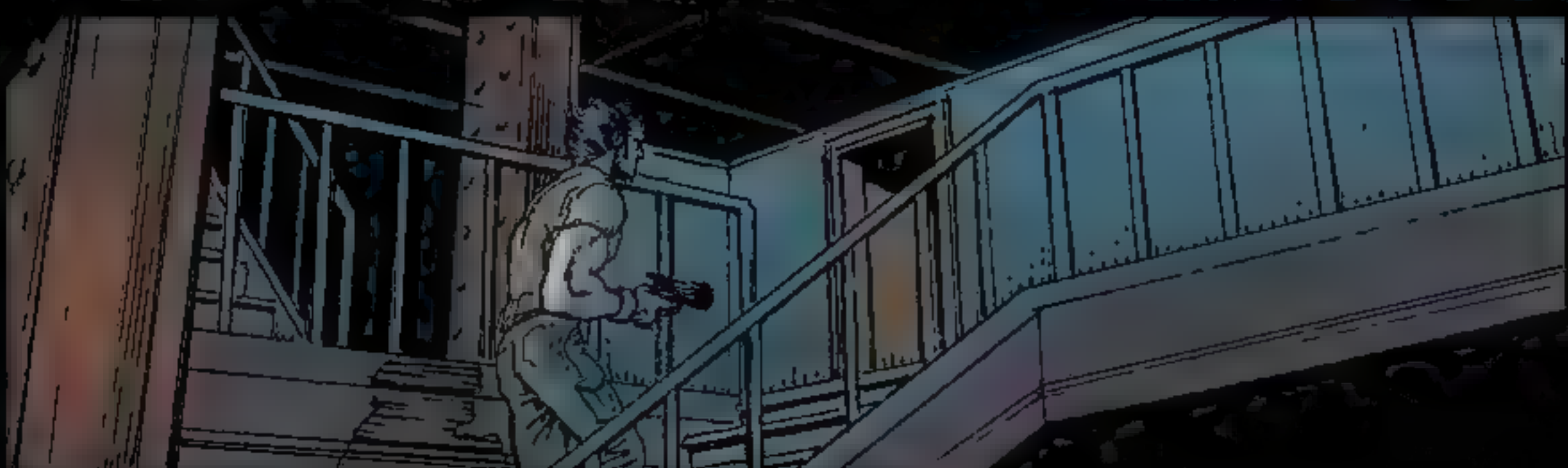
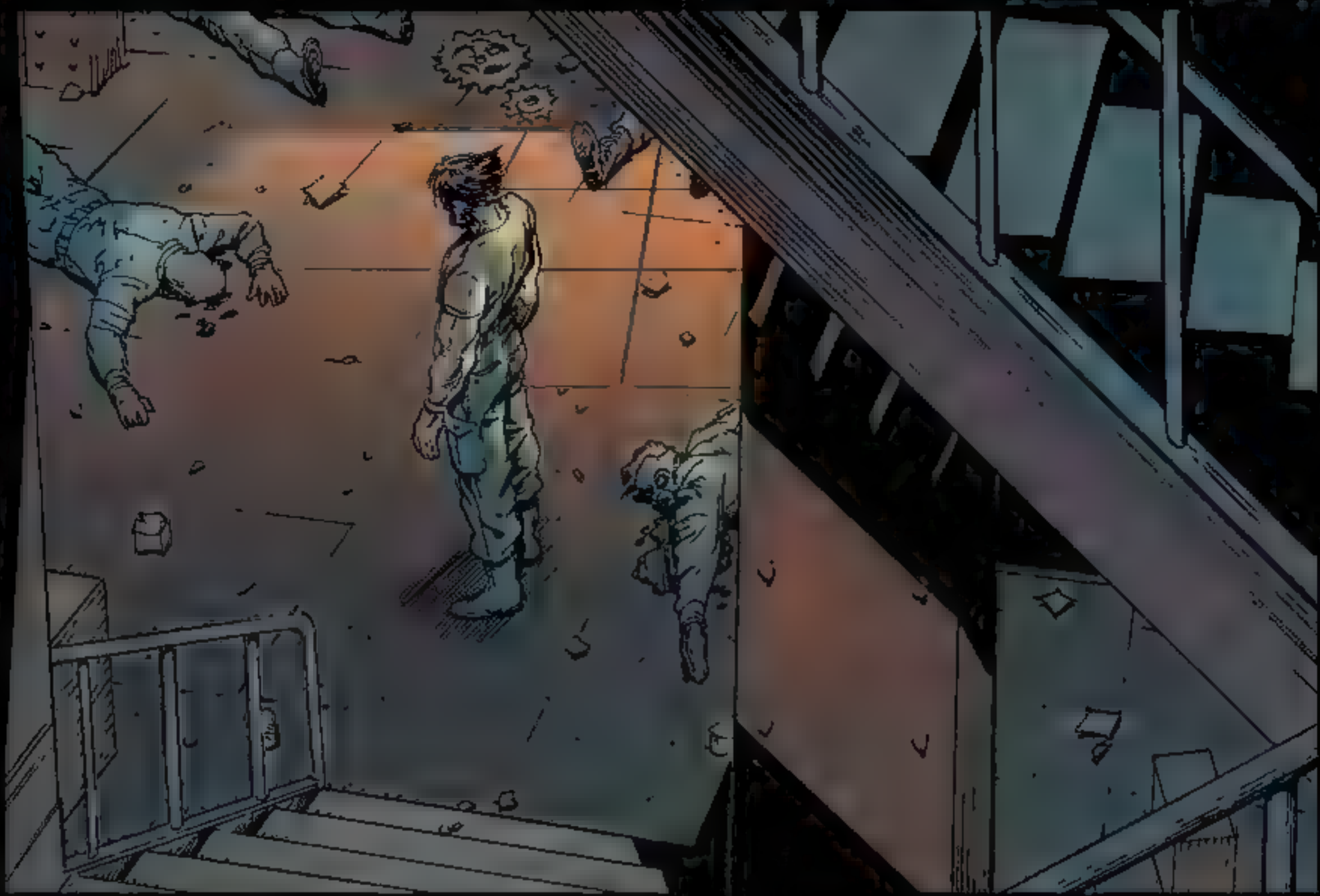








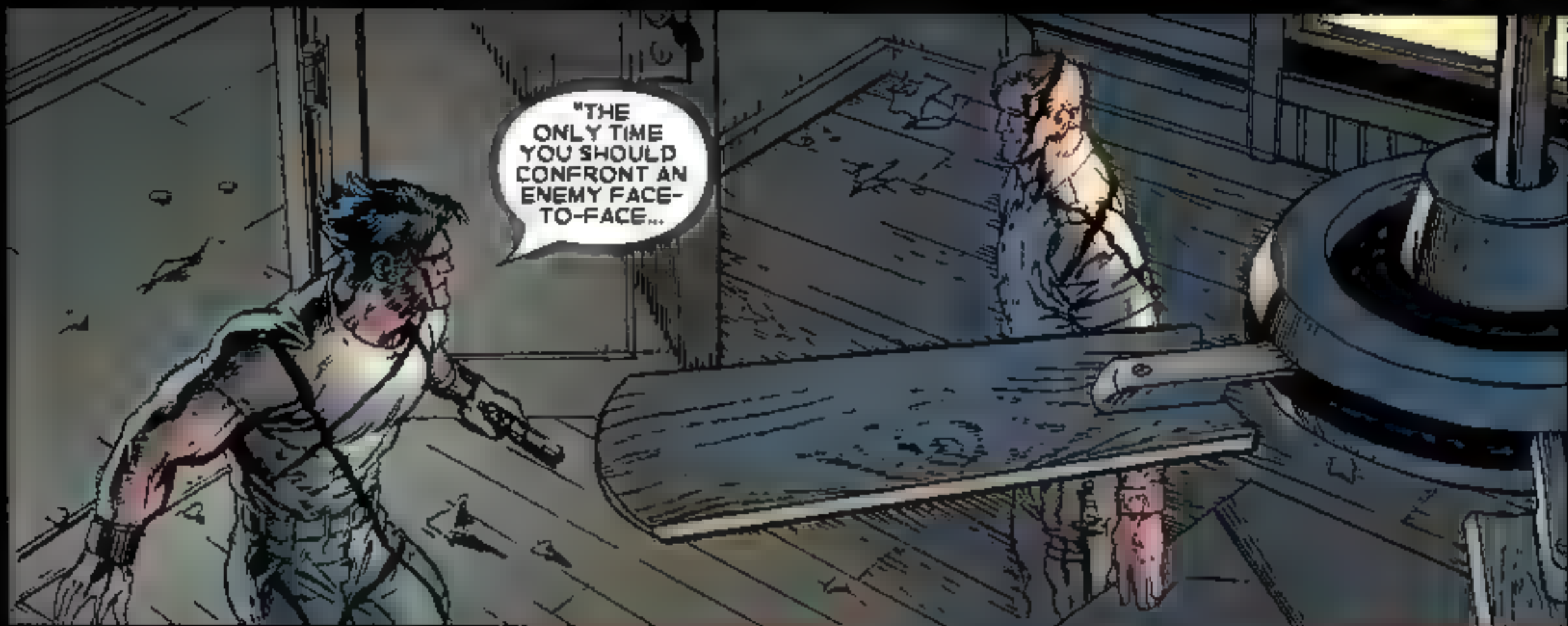












WHOOOOOOOOOSH







I'LL  
GET RIGHT  
TO THE  
POINT.

THE HOUSE  
OF M WILL  
FALL.

BECAUSE  
OF YOU.



YOU GOT  
SLOPPY. YOU  
GOT WEAK. AND  
BECAUSE OF  
THAT...

...WE  
GOT THE  
SENTINEL.



AS WE  
SPEAK, CELLS OF  
RESISTANCE FIGHTERS  
POSITIONED AROUND  
THE GLOBE ARE RECEIVING  
ALL THE DATA THEY'LL  
NEED TO NEUTRALIZE THE  
SENTINELS PATROLLING  
THEIR RESPECTIVE  
SECTORS.

ONCE THAT'S  
ACCOMPLISHED,  
THE ONLY THING  
STANDING BETWEEN  
US AND OUR ULTIMATE  
GOAL IS THE RED  
GUARD.

MEANING  
NOTHING.

MEANING  
YOU.



YOU KEEP ON THINKIN'  
THAT, NICK.

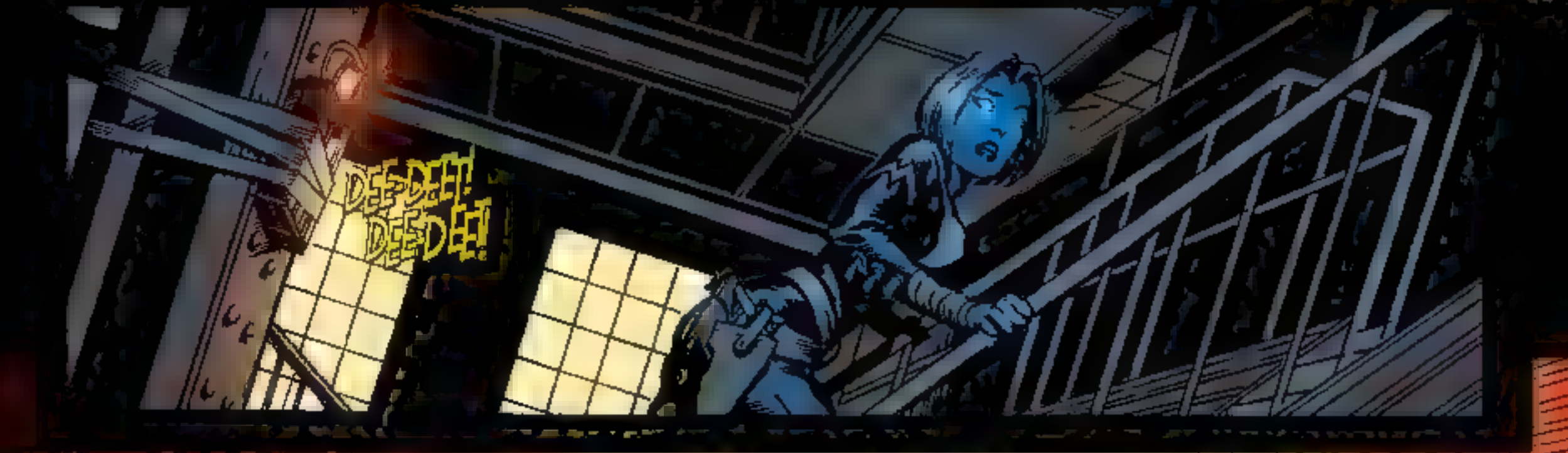
'CAUSE  
I'M COMIN' FER  
YOU--I'LL KILL EVERY  
HUMAN ON THIS PLANET  
IF I HAVE TO, JUST  
TO FIND YOU.

EVER  
SINCE THE END  
OF THE WAR, I'VE  
JUST BEEN KILLIN' TIME...  
BUT NOW, I'M GONNA  
KILL YOU. AN' THIS  
TIME...

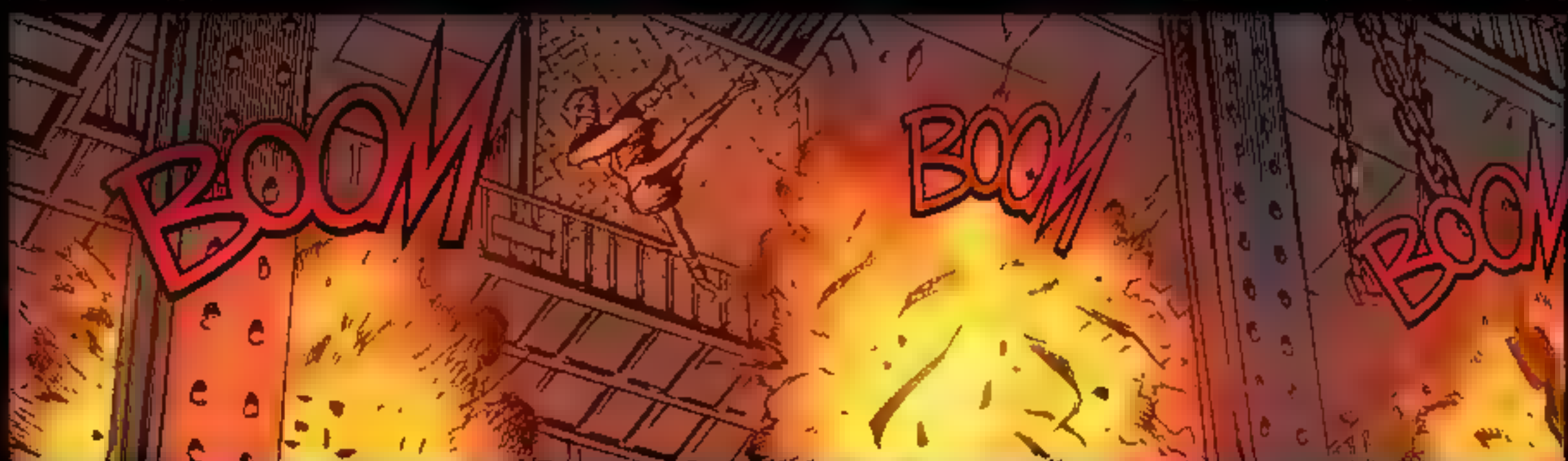


...YER  
GONNA STAY  
DEAD.













ARE...  
ARE YOU  
OKAY?



I AM  
NOW.

"DON'T YOU THINK  
THAT WAS A BIT...  
SELFISH?"









BECAUSE  
THAT'S WHEN  
YOU FIRST  
ACCESSED  
FURY'S  
PERSONNEL  
FILE.



I...I  
LOVE HIM,  
SHAW.

YOU  
"LOVE"  
HIM.

SO YOU  
GAVE HIM  
THE ONE THING  
THAT HE COULD  
NOT LIVE  
WITHOUT:

YOU  
GAVE HIM  
BACK HIS  
WAR.



THE  
ATTACK ON THE  
MEXICAN EMBASSY—  
POSSIBLY EVEN THE  
KIDNAPPING...

THE  
THEFT AND  
DISMANTLING OF  
THE SENTINEL...

THE  
SHOWDOWN  
AT THE STEEL  
MILL...

...YOU  
ORCHESTRATED  
ALL OF IT.



YOU...  
WERE...  
...NICK  
FURY.





CONGRATULATIONS.



IN MY DEFENSE, I INCURRED ONLY HUMAN CASUALTIES... AND THE SENTINEL SPECS, OF COURSE, WERE NEVER TRANSMITTED.

I DESTROYED THE DATA, PERSONALLY.



HOWEVER, I AM FULLY PREPARED TO FACE THE CONSEQUENCES OF MY ACTIONS... WHATEVER THEY MAY BE.



GOOD.

I WANT YOU TO START IMMEDIATELY.



CHANK!

YOU'RE... RELEASING ME?

YES. LIKE I SAID, I WANT YOU TO START IMMEDIATELY.





YOU SENT  
HIM ON THIS  
CHASE...

...YOU  
BRING HIM  
BACK.

# CHASING GHOSTS

CONCLUSION





The Hand